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November 2018

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A Fast-acting Mechanical Defoamer to Control Manure Foam at Pump-out

~ All Natural Plant-based Oils~

Manure Defoamer is an extremely effective and fastacting liquid manure mechanical defoamer during pump-out. Apply Manure Defoamer at pumpout to knock down mechanical foam. By using Manure Defoamer, full pump-out or manure tanker capacity can

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be achieved.

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### **Crop Management News**

by Dr. Jim Ladlie, ProfitProAG President

#### **SOIL HEALTH is the Driver for Producing Nutrient**dense, High Energy and Value-added Food/Feed

To improve and maintain optimum soil health, soils must maintain optimum levels of biodiversity, mineral nutrition and soil bioactive carbon. Healthy and nutrient-rich manure/litter will support, obtain and maintain a healthy soil. This system takes a non-GMO and reduced chemical approach to production. It provides a path to participation in the value-added crop market opportunities as well as provides superior quality feed to the livestock/poultry value-added enterprises.

#### **Immune System Health is Key**

- The health of the immune system determines the health of a living entity - soil; plant; animal; human
- · The driver of a healthy plant, animal and human immune system is... the health of the soil's immune system



#### **Soil Health is Key to Value**added and Profitability

- The soil and plant should be considered as one interconnected and interdependent living system
- · The better the soil, the better the
- · Improvement in soil health, plant health, quality and yield should cascade from year to year.



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## **Manure Master** FoaMAV

#### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Manure Master

Manure Master FoamAway is a concentrated dry blend designed to knock down microbial foam in swine



e manure pit two days after u Manure Master FoamAway

#### The health status of soil determines the health status of the food chain from the soil up. Soil health is the foundation to resiliency, regenerative agriculture, value-added production and profitability. Healthy soil is active, alive and continuously regenerating.

## FULL-CIRCLE ANIMAL, MANURE AND SOIL-PLANT SYSTEM More From Every Acre...More From Every Animal proving Soil Health, Crop Health and Nutrient Density ProfitMaster\* Full-Circle Goals: Improved Soil, Crop and Animal Health Improved Output and Quality Reduced Input Cost Improved Margins and Profitability

#### **Benefits of Manure Master** FoamAway:

- Can eliminate foaming in manure pits within a week.
- · Residual abatement of pit foam for two months or longer.
- Dry formulation and easy to apply.
- Reduces the hazard potential with foaming manure pits.

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#### **Building Healthy Producing Soil**

· The following are the steps and sequence necessary to improve soil health, year to year consistency, water quality and profitability:



- Build and maintain soil bioactive
- Remineralize soil
- Build and maintain biodiversity
- Reduce toxicity in the system

"Doing these steps will result in nutrient retention. cycling, balance and plant availability."



#### **Follow Four Basic Soil Health Principles** to Improve Soil Health and Sustainability:

- Use plant diversity to increase soil organic matter and biodiversity in the soil.
- · Manage soils by disturbing them less.
- · Keep plants growing as much as possible throughout the year to feed the soil.
- · Keep the soil covered as much as possible.



More from Every Acre... More From Every Animal

## FREE Teleconference Calls

#### Agronomic/Livestock

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the Month November 15, 2018

#### Call #

1-855-212-0212

#### Meeting ID #

769-100-082#

#### Time

8 to 9 pm Central Time

For More Information or to find a Consultant in Your Area

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Ask about the ProfitMaster™
Full-Circle System and the
Manure Master™ Program
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#### **Manure Master Program**

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## Eubio-NBS (c10)

#### Soil & Plant Natural Biological Stimulant

#### **Eubio-NBS (c10) Applied on Winter Wheat Seeds**





Eubio-NBS (c10) 10 oz/50 lbs

Control

## ProfitProAG

## 2019 Early Order Product Cash Discount Program

- All products on conventional and organic price sheets (except for products listed below).
- The Early Order Product Cash Discount Program (E.O.P.C.D.P.) is for 2019 crop year inputs.

Deadline Discount Dates	2019 Retail Early Order Product Cash Discount <sup>1,2</sup>
November $1 - 15, 2018$	8%
November 16 – 30, 2018	7%
December 1 – 15, 2018	6%
December 16 – 31, 2018	5%
January 1 – 15, 2019	4%
January 16 – 31, 2019	3%
February 1 – 28, 2019	2%

Cash or check

Products **NOT** included in the 2019 Early Order Product Cash Discount Program:

- Commercial fertilizers
- Manure pit treatment products
- Services

- Equipment
- · Human products

#### For more information or to place an order call:

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# Increasing Liquid Manure Safety, Value and Utilization through BIOLOGICAL TREATMENT

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By Dr. Jim Ladlie, ProfitProAG President

he evolution of the livestock industry has evolved in the concentration of livestock called concentrated animal feeding operations or CAFOs. The result is an accumulation of large quantities of liquid manure in pits or lagoons that has resulted in environmental, social and agronomic issues and concerns.

#### **Environmental Issues:**

- Odor around CAFO facilities and during application.
- Contamination concern of surface and groundwater with nitrogen, phosphate and other manure nutrients.
- Excessive fly populations around CAFO facilities.
- Concern about food contamination grown with manure containing antibiotics or drugs.

#### Social Issues:

- People and communities envision concentrated CAFO facilities as a detriment due to odor (air pollution), groundwater contamination and land values. This has created a negative image of the industry to the public.
- Concern for workers' health issues when exposed to short and long term manure odors.
- Concern for animal welfare and the quality of food being produced in these facilities.

#### **Manure Applicator Issues:**

- Overall ease of handling and applying liquid manure.
- Cost of extracting manure from the pit or lagoon and handling solids.
- Safety issues regarding lethal gas during the pumping process.
- Odor complaints during hauling and application.
- Surface and groundwater contamination liability concerns.
- Ability to achieve uniformity from start to finish when pumping a pit or lagoon.

#### **Agronomic Issues:**

- Application volume, heavy application equipment and soil compaction.
- Manure is generally high in salts if not biologically digested.
- The flexibility to apply manure in the fall and spring.
- Escalating energy and commercial fertilizer expenses. Manure provides a more economical plant nutrient source.

#### **Undesirable Attributes of CAFOs**

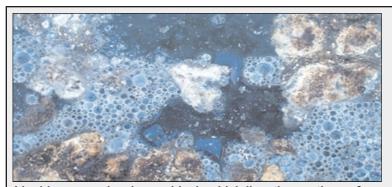
The high volume of accumulated manure and use of antibiotics, disinfectants, feed additives, DDG's and footbaths in today's CAFOs often result in high odor levels and fly populations, top crust, bottom sludge, lethal gases, loss of capacity and difficulty in agitation, pumping, hauling and with in-field application.

#### **Raw Manure Putrefaction Issues**

Raw manure in pits and lagoons can contain many negative attributes such as: odors, lethal gases (H<sub>2</sub>S, NH<sub>3</sub>, etc.), flies, foster pathogenic organisms, solids (top and bottom), nutrient inconsistency from top to bottom and often contains high levels of toxins (salts, etc.)

#### **Biologically Treating Liquid Manure**

Often the indigenous population of microbials can't produce the necessary enzymes to rapidly digest the volume of manure and the added toxins. When manure is treated with additional natural strains, it assists the indigenous microorganisms to break down and removes a greater range of organic matter at a faster rate and is referred to as bioaugmentation of the manure. The process involves the excretion of enzymes by the microbials, which act as catalysts to speed up the biological digestion of the manure. The more diverse the microbial population and enzymes, the faster and more complete the bioaugmentation procedure. Thus, this is the way manure should be biologically treated to enhance biodiversity and enzymatic activity that results in faster and more complete diversion.



Liquid manure showing rapid microbial digestion on the surface.

## The Role of Beneficial Microbes in Manure Digestion

The first role of a microbial community is to remove toxins and pathogens and then create a healthy balance of the environment.

#### **Bioaugmentation of Liquid Manure**

In an untreated manure pit or lagoon there are generally two zones. The aerobic (oxygen layer) and the anaerobic sludge zone, which is on the bottom and generates the odors and lethal gases such as hydrogen sulfide. The aerobic zone is on the top 12 inches of a pit or lagoon. As aerobic microbes multiply in the top layer, they produce oxygen, which oxidizes odorous gases and liquefies the manure.

With the addition of biological manure treatment that contains a bacteria consortium of aerobic, anaerobic and facultative (works in low to high oxygen zones), the biological digestive process kicks into high gear. These aggressive digestive microbes penetrate the anaerobic sludge zone on the bottom, create buoyancy and lift it to the top aerobic zone where it is rapidly digested and liquefied, thus, eliminating the odorous and lethal gas-generating zone. In the process, they completely agitate the content of the pit or lagoon and even reduce or completely eliminate the need for expensive agitation. This also creates consistency of the manure from top to bottom, which improves agronomic value.

#### What is Bioaugmentation?

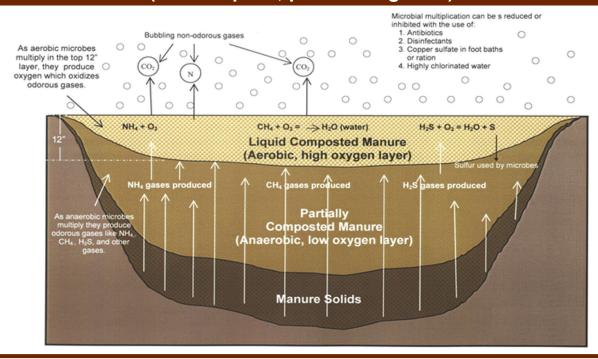
Bioaugmented manure is manure that has been processed and converted from an odorous, undigested manure into an enzymestimulated microbial plant food that is more liquefied and a more organic form that is biologically available for crops.

#### **Changes include:**

- Neutralizes odorous, noxious and flammable gases
- Solids convert to stable, liquefied solutions
- Nutrients are recycled and stabilized for increased utilization by soil biology

### Nature's Fermenting Biodigester and Odor Eliminator

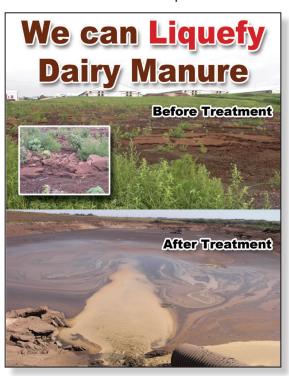
(Manure piles, pits and lagoons)



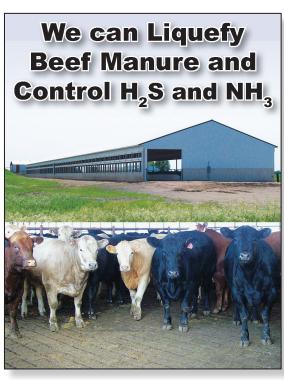
#### **Reducing Lethal Manure Pit Gases**

As manure decomposes, it emits many different kinds of gases. The most harmful are hydrogen sulfide, methane, ammonia and carbon dioxide. Research shows that chronic exposure to these gases, even at low levels, can significantly reduce animal productivity and health. Furthermore, elevated concentration levels can potentially cause fatalities for both humans and animals.

In recent years there have been several cases of confinement beef losses from toxic gases, such as hydrogen sulfide. These toxic gases are mainly emitted from the anaerobic sludge at the bottom and corners of beef manure pits.



An effective year round treatment program can help reduce the level of these toxic gases and reduce the likelihood of animal losses.



#### **PROFITMASTER™** Full-Circle Livestock, Manure and Soil/Plant System

Over the last 15 years, ProfitProAG has developed and perfected the "PROFITMASTER Full-Circle Livestock, Manure and Soil/Plant System." The objective in a livestock operation is to "enhance the cycle of livestock/crop production and business performance." The following outlines the areas of improvement and the resulting positive effect on business performance from biologically treating manure.

#### **Barn Environment Improvements**

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- Reduces odors & lethal gases (H<sub>2</sub>S, NH<sub>3</sub>, etc.)
- · Reduces flies
- Improves animal health
- Improves working environment
- · Less corrosion of equipment & facilities
- Reduces washing & cleaning time
- Regain pit/lagoon capacity

#### **Manure Enhancements**

- · Reduces manure putrefaction
- · Liquefies manure
- Less agitation required (50% or more)
- Improves consistency of manure (Top to bottom)
- Reduces pathogen load in manure
- Reduces manure toxins (salts)

#### Soil Health & Crop Enhancements

- Improves root zone health & crop yields/quality
- Predigested manure "no lag phase in-field"
- Improves nutrient value & retention
- Improves soil biology & health
- Improves uniformity of in-field applications
- Improves N soil fixation
- Reduces weed & pest pressure over time
- Better in-field crop residue decomposition



Corn roots showing enhanced root health from treated manure applied in a strip-till application. Growers can reduce plant nutrient cost, improve soil and plant health, improve crop residue decomposition, detoxify the soil (reduce salts) and improve nitrogen and other plant nutrient efficiencies by biologically treating their manure.

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#### **Improved Feed Value & Quality**

- Improves nutrient content (trace elements) and energy
- Higher crop/feed brix values
- · Reduces aflatoxins & mycotoxins in feed

#### **Business Enhancements**

- Improves overall business performance
- Reduces potential risk
- Improves livestock health and performance
- Improves employee working conditions and retention
- Normally after two to three years of applying biologically treated manure, a five to 15% yield response is achieved
- Reduces agronomic input cost
- Improves manure utilization cover more acreage with same volume of manure
- Improves neighbor & community relations (Reduces odor during transportation & application)
- Reduces environmental impact after field application
- Improves longevity of equipment & facilities (Less corrosion & maintenance cost)
- Increases the amount of manure that can be irrigated
- Reduces the time required to complete a pump-out

#### **Agronomic Justification of Liquid Manure Bioaugmentation**

The following crop enhancement scenario showcases the economic benefit of bioaugmented manure. This is based on a 2,400 head swine finishing barn with annual production of 750,000 gallons manure.

Step	Crop: Corn		
1.	Average yield	=	200 bu/acre
2.	3% yield advantage of bioaugmented manure	=	6 bu/acre
3.	Value per bushel	X	\$3.50
4.	Income advantage per acre (yield advantage x value/bushels)	=	\$21.00
5.	Acres treated with bioaugmented manure (bioaugmented manure ÷ gal/acre) (750,000 gallons/2,400 head swine finisher barn ÷ 3,000 gallons/acre)	X	250
6.	Increased revenue from bioaugmented manure (acres applied x income advantage/acre)	=	\$5,250.00
7.	Cost of treatment of manure applied (cost/acre = \$4.30/A)	-	\$1,074.00
8.	Income advantage (increase revenue – treatment cost)	+	\$4,176.00
9.	Return on Investment (ROI) (increased revenue ÷ cost of treatment)		3.9 Times

**Need help with your manure management?** The following are technologies you can use to handle the most difficult manure management issues. Enhance its value and improve overall business performance.



Livestock
producers who
combine these products
are seeing huge benefits!
REDUCED

Odors • Flies • Agitation

- Solids/Crusting
- Lethal Gases

#### Manure Master Plus™

A pit/lagoon liquid manure enhancement technology to improve liquid manure management, storage, handling, application, soil health, crop response and environmental safety. 100% natural. Safe for animals. Use 40 gallons of Manure Master Plus per one million gallons of manure annually.



#### Pit Accelerator™

Accelerates the liquefaction of manure pits/ lagoons. Complements, enhances and designed to be used with biological liquid manure treatment products to handle the most difficult manure management issues. 100% natural. Safe for animals. Apply 5 gallons of Pit Accelerator every 6 months per 400,000 gallons manure.

## Manure Mechanical DEFOAMER\*



#### Manure Mechanical Defoamer™

An extremely effective and fast-acting liquid manure mechanical defoamer. Apply at pump-out to knock down mechanical foam. Full pump-out or manure tanker capacity can be achieved. Add one gallon of Defoamer per 100,000 to 300,000 gallons of manure.

## Manure Master FoamAWay

**Manure Master FoamAway**<sup>™</sup> is a concentrated dry blend designed to knock down microbial foam in swine storage facilities.

#### Benefits:

- Can eliminate foaming in manure pits within a week.
- Residual abatement of pit foam for two months or longer.
- Dry formulation and easy to apply.
- Reduces the hazard potential with foaming manure pits.

Use 5 pounds FoamAway per 100,000 gallons manure.



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#### **Featured Product of the Month**

## Eubio-NBS (c10)

### Soil & Plant Natural Biological Stimulant

#### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION:

**Eubio-NBS (c10)** is a "Next Generation" Natural Biological Stimulant. It optimizes and stimulates the biological medium to help increase already existing natural processes that are essential for healthy soil and plants.

Eubio-NBS (c10) is biodegradable, non-toxic, non-hazardous, non-corrosive, non-irritating and does not require PPE.

#### **GUARANTEED ANALYSIS:**

Clear aqueous liquid ..... 100%

#### **INGREDIENTS:**

A clear aqueous liquid, safe and non-toxic.

#### **USAGE AND APPLICATION RATE:**

The application rate is 12.8 oz per acre (10 acres per gallon of c10) for both soil and foliar applications. It is recommended to apply a soil application and one to two foliar applications during the season depending on crop value.

<u>Soil Application</u>, Eubio-NBS (c10) can be applied as follows: broadcast or strip-tilled Fall or Spring, in furrow and through surface or subsurface irrigation.

<u>Foliar Application:</u> Eubio-NBS (c10) can be applied once or multiple times during the season at optimum vegetative and reproductive status of a crop.

Manure Application: Eubio-NBS (c10) can be mixed into liquid manure at the rate of 12.8 oz per acre (10 acres per gallon of c10).

## Eubio-NBS (c10) Applied to Corn In-furrow At-plant 12.8 oz/A

#### **Observation on Corn:**

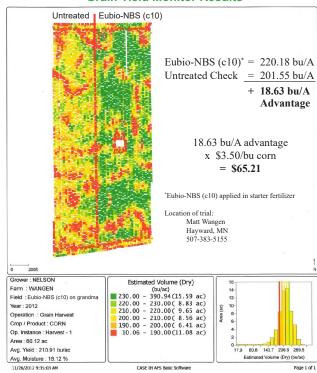
Eubio-NBS (c10)	Control
Increased rows on corn ears	• Tip back
Increased ear length	Less ear length
Increased health	• Less healthy than <b>Eubio-NBS (c10)</b>
Green leaves to ground	Disease issues
Improved stay green	More ear mold
Less ear mold	

#### **Next Year Observations Corn on Corn:**

- · Less standing water on Eubio-NBS (c10) area
- Faster corn emergence
- Improved early crop vigor
- · Stayed healthier throughout the season

## **Eubio-NBS (c10) Applied in Corn Starter at Planting**

**Grain Yield Monitor Results** 



## Eubio-NBS (c10) applied in-furrow on corn at planting time

#### Corn on Corn



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Eubio-NBS (c10)
In-Furrow Application 12.8 oz/A





## ProfitPro®AG invites YOU to call in on the third THURSDAY of the month for the FREE TELECONFERENCE

A cost-effective and convenient way to gain knowledge on new crop production technologies

# It's Easy . . . It's FREE Thursday, November 15, 2018 8:00 p.m. Central Time

#### **UPCOMING SUBJECTS**

**SOIL HEALTH is the Driver for Producing Nutrient-dense, High Energy and Value-added Food/Feed** 

How is healthy soil built and maintained? What four basic soil health principles improve soil health and sustainability? **Dr. Jim Ladlie, ProfitProAG President,** will answer these questions and more. Soil health is the foundation to resiliency, regenerative agriculture, value-added production and profitability.

Increasing Liquid Manure Safety, Value and Utilization through Biological Treatment

**Dr. Jim Ladlie, ProfitProAG President** will discuss the environmental, social and agronomic issues and concerns regarding liquid manure along with the benefits of biological treatment.

For more information visit www.profitproag.com and click on "Monthly Teleconference."

#### **DIRECTIONS FOR CALLING IN**

- 1. Dial the toll free number **1-855-212-0212** at 8 p.m. **SHARP** (Central Time) to get in from the beginning.
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- 3. All calls will be muted when joining the teleconference.
- 4. **To ask a question** during the Q & A portion of the program, press \*6 (star six). After asking the question please press \*6 to re-mute your phone.
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- 6. Access the teleconference anytime between 8 to 9 p.m. (CT)



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